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AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Tsutomu OHSHIMO, et al.

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For : SUBSTRATE PROCESSING APPARATUS  
AND SUBSTRATE TRANSPORTING DEVICE  
MOUNTED THERETO

Art Unit : 1746

Examiner : Alexander MARKOFF

**AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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S I R :

This Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 29, 2007, and the Advisory Action mailed October 18, 2007, the term for response to which is extended by one month by Petition filed concurrently herewith to expire on October 29, 2007.

**Amendments to the Claims** are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-15 are canceled; claim 16 and 20 are amended; and claims 17-19 and 21-35 are maintained.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.

This paper is being submitted via EFS-Web on October 29, 2007

In the event that this Paper is late filed, and the necessary petition for extension of time is not filed concurrently herewith, please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, and to the extent not already paid, authorization to charge the extension fee to Account No. 06-1378. In addition, authorization is hereby given to charge any fees for which payment has not been submitted, or to credit any overpayments, to Account No. 06-1378.